GOVERNMENT OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF SPACE

LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO. 5148 TO BE ANSWERED ON WEDNESDAY, APRIL 02, 2025

VENTURE CAPITAL FUND FOR SPACE SECTOR

5148. SHRI CAPTAIN BRIJESH CHOWTA:

SHRI KHAGEN MURMU:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

- (a) the total funds approved by the Government for the VentureCapital Fund for the space sector;
- (b) the total amount disbursed to space sector start-ups as on February 2025;
- (c) the timeline for the operationalization of the funded scheme;
- (d) whether the Government has established a mechanism for selecting and monitoring startups under the scheme;
- (e) if so, the details thereof including the selection and monitoring process; and
- (f) whether any start-ups from Karnataka, particularly Dakshina Kannada, have been selected under the scheme and if so, the details thereof?

ANSWER

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES & PENSIONS AND IN THE PRIME MINISTER'S OFFICE (DR. JITENDRA SINGH):

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- (a) The Union Cabinet has approved Rs. 1,000 crore Venture Capital Fund dedicated to Indian Space Sector under the aegis of IN-SPACe.
- (b) 'Nil', as the fund is in the process of being operationalized.
- (c) M/s SIDBI Venture Capital is selected as Fund Manager/Investment Manager for the Rs.1,000 crore Venture Capital Fund for space sector. Further process is underway. However, depending on the investment opportunities and fund requirements, the proposed break-up of investment (financial year wise) is as tabulated below:

SI. No.	Financial Year	Estimate (In ₹ Crores)
1	2025-26	150.00
2	2026-27	250.00
3	2027-28	250.00
4	2028-29	250.00
5	2029-30	100.00
	Total	1000.00
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(d) & (e)

Yes sir, the ₹ 1,000 crore Space VC Fund will be structured to efficiently allocate resources from across various growth stages of the start-ups/space industry by proven selected fund manager.

(f) No sir.

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